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Group Art No. : 2859  
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**COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Notice of Allowability mailed June 4, 2004, Applicant submits the following remarks responsive to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance.

**REMARKS**

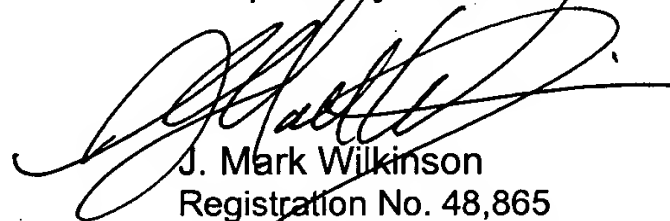
In response to the Examiner's Reasons for Allowance, Applicant believes that a separate Statement of Reasons for Allowance is unnecessary in the present case as the file history sufficiently sets forth the patentable distinctions of claims 1-12 and 16-30.

The patentability of claims 1-12 and 16-30 lies in each claim as a whole. That is, a single particular element or feature of a claim does not define the claim's patentability, but rather, it is each of the elements and the interconnection therebetween that define that which is claimed. The claims cannot be considered to be limited in scope based on this brief statement by the Examiner. Further, the claims are not limited only to a particular figure set forth in the specification and must be read to cover embodiments of the invention not specifically described in the specification or shown in the figures.

The Examiner's paraphrasing of the claims may or may not be accurate. Applicant does not acquiesce to the accuracy of the Examiner's statements in the Reasons for Allowance.

Entry of these remarks is appreciated and Applicant cordially invites the Examiner to contact the undersigned, should the Examiner consider any matters unresolved.

Respectfully submitted,



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**SUBMISSION OF CORRECTED FORMAL DRAWINGS**

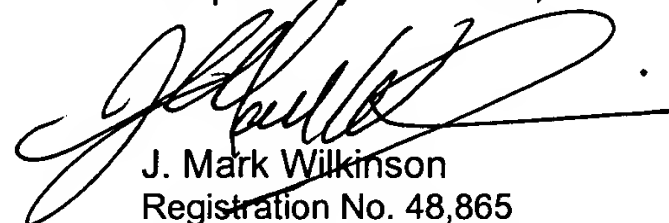
Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Notice of Allowability mailed June 4, 2004, Applicant submits the following formal drawings responsive to the Official Draftsperson's requirement.

**REMARKS**

The attached ten (10) replacement sheets of formal drawings are being submitted responsive to the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, Form PTO-948, included with the Notice of Allowability mailed June 4, 2004. These Replacement Sheets, which include Figs. 1-11, replace the original sheets including Figs. 1-11. The Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review states "delete page nos '35-44' at bottom margins (Figs. 1-11)." Please be advised, however, the drawings originally filed in this application did not include any page numbers. Nevertheless, to expedite issuance of the application, "corrected" drawings are attached.

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